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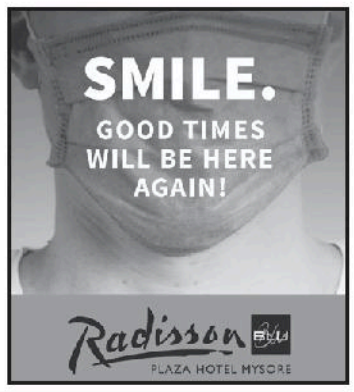


Sa. Ra. Dares...
Rohini Responds
Releases land-related documents

S.R. Mahesh, MLA

Mysuru, June 10 (BCT)- Hitting out at her bitter critic K.R. Nagar MLA S.R. Mahesh who had dared her to release documents to substantiate her allegations of land-grabbing by him, former Deputy Commissioner of Mysuru Rohini Sindhuri has released documents yesterday to prove that as a DC she had initiated action to revoke certain land transactions that were *prima facie* illegal which led to her transfer. She also said that the choultry owned by Mahesh at Dattagalli in city was on a *Raja Kaluve* (stormwater drain).

The four documents that were released through social media show that attempts were made to save the Kergalli Lake and also the Lingambudhi Lake from illegal land conversions. This comes in response to Mahesh's statement that Rohini Sindhuri must release documents if at all she has taken action against land mafia in her tenure of eight months in Mysuru district.

Lingambudhi village

As per one document, on June 4, she had rescinded the order that allowed conversion of 1.39 acres of agricultural land for commercial purposes in Survey Number 124/2 at Lingambudhi village. Issuing the order to the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) Commissioner, she had also sought action against officers who had permitted land conversion that was based on an incorrect report.

MUDA approval illegal

On complaints that false documents were created to purchase 5.02 acres of land in Survey Number 123, Rohini Sindhuri had ordered Assistant Commissioner to investigate. As per the complaint filed by RTI activist Gangaraju, the 1.39-acre land in Survey Number 124/2, has been reserved for agricultural purpose and the same land has been published in State Gazette on Feb. 4, 2016.

But in a MUDA meeting held on March 2, 2016, members opined that as the land comes under residential zone, the land could be converted for commercial purposes. Accordingly, permission was accorded by MUDA on Nov. 28, 2016 to convert the land into commercial purposes.

Just before a day of her transfer, the IAS Officer had sought certain documents and records from MUDA and following the scrutiny of documents, she had ordered cancellation of land

Rohini Sindhuri, IAS

conversion approved by MUDA as it was illegal.

Fake record created to get compensation from MUDA

With regard to Survey Number 115 which is a Government Gomala land in Kergalli village spread over 129.22 acres, Rohini Sindhuri had sought an action taken report from the MUDA on a complaint of irregularity and creation of fake records for land-ownership to claim compensation. As per the complaint, the 'Aakaar Bandh' (root document of a land) was modified to show more land.

While the 'Aakaar Bandh' had mentioned that the land extends to 129.22 acres, the RTC showed that the land extends up to 199 acres — 61.18 acres more. This modification has been made to extract compensation from MUDA by fabricating documents, the complaint filed to the DC on May 27 stated.

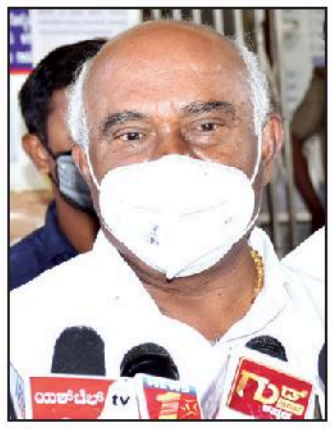
(See ROHINI on page 7)

Appoint Rohini Sindhuri as Investigating Officer to probe land grabbing

Mysuru, June 10 (MTY& SSV)- BJP MLC A.H. Vishwanath has urged the State Government to appoint former Deputy Commissioner of Mysuru, Rohini Sindhuri as an Investigating Officer (IO) to look into complaints of land grabbing in and around Mysuru city which was brought to light by her recently.

"I will be meeting Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa and Chief Secretary P. Ravikumar in Bengaluru in next two to three days and request them to appoint Rohini as Investigating Officer for at least six months to probe land grabbing at various places in Mysuru," he told reporters.

The MLC speaking to the press after meeting the new Deputy Commissioner this morning said, "I have requested the incumbent DC to implement all the four orders issued by the previous DC with immediate effect. Structures are not allowed to come



A.H. Vishwanath , MLC

up in buffer zones, which is within 75 meters from a lake bed but then they do, this illegality has to be probed."

The MLC regretted that of late, real estate has become an industry. "I want to know what industry both S.R. Mahesh and H.V. Rajeev run? To how many people the duo have given employment? I have demanded the incumbent DC to study and implement T.M. Vijay Bhaskar Report pertaining to large-scale land grabbing in Mysuru," he said.

"I am ready to handover property to Governor if charges of land encroachment proved"

K.R. Nagar MLA S.R. Mahesh stages protest in front of Regional Commissioner's Office in city

Mysuru, June 10 (RKB&DM)- JD(S) MLA from K.R. Nagar in the district, S.R. Mahesh this morning staged a demonstration in front of the Regional Commissioner's (RC) Office on Hunsur Road in protest against the charges made by IAS Officer Rohini Sindhuri, who was the Mysuru DC earlier, that Sa.Ra. Convention Hall at Dattagalli was built on encroached land that was once a *Raja Kaluve*.

(See MAHESH on page 7)

Sa. Ra. Mahesh built Convention Hall on stormwater drain

Mysuru, June 10 (BCT)-In a serious revelation that will have far-reaching consequences, former DC Rohini Sindhuri has stated that the Sa.Ra Convention Hall owned by MLA S.R. Mahesh at Dattagalli in city was on a *Raja Kaluve* (stormwater drain).

Reacting to the blistering attack launched by the MLA, Rohini has stated that the Convention Hall is registered in the name of the MLA's wife. "Since the day I took charge as DC, the MLA has been tarnishing my image by giving false, motivated and twisted statements. The attacks have not stopped even after they conspired to transfer me. Officers are being threatened not to take action against illegal land deals. I will not bow to hollow threats," she said.

To Our Readers

*Turn to Page-6 for Abracadabra titled "**Remembering Sholapurkar, The Builder of CAVA.**" —Ed*

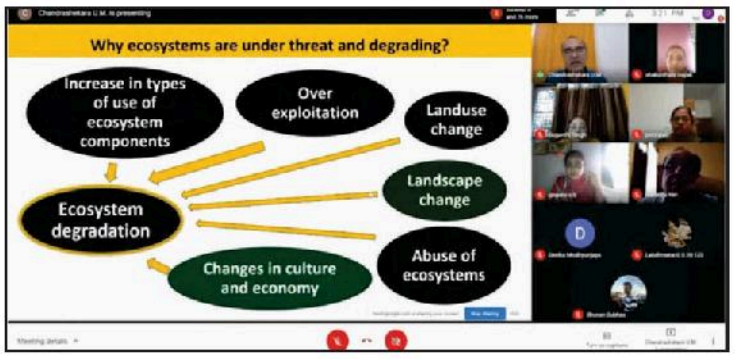
STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Thursday 10th June 2021

Webinar on 'Restoration of Forest Ecosystem' held



Mysuru, June 10 - The Department of Botany, Sarada Vilas College, Mysuru, had organised a one-day webinar on 'Restoration of Forest Ecosystem: Ways and Means' as part of World Environmental Day on June 5.

Dr. U.M. Chandrashekara, Scientific Advisor and Senior Principal Scientist (retd.), Kerala Forest Research Institute Sub-Centre, Nilambur, Mallapuram district, Kerala, was the resource person. The presentation was meticulously made and presented, which had all the details of ecosystem and threat for ecosystem, its restoration, general types of forests in Western Ghats, causes for degradation of forest ecosystem and more.

Nearly 100 participants attended the webinar on Google Meet and other 250 participants watched it in YouTube live stream using the link.

Dr. B.M. Subraya, President, Sarada Vilas Educational Institution (SVEI), N. Chandrashekar, Hon. Secretary, SVEI, Dr. M. Devika, Principal, SVEI, were the other dignitaries who attended the event.

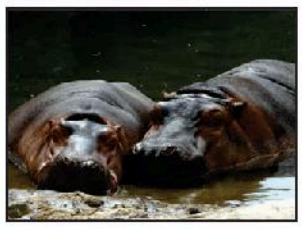
Dr. Devika delivered the inaugural address. S.B. Gagana, Assistant Professor in Botany, welcomed. Suganthi S. Singh, Associate Professor of Physics, introduced the guest speaker. Dr. A.N. Jyothi, Assistant Professor in Commerce, proposed a vote of thanks, according to a press release.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Since early last year, many experts have voiced apprehensions that the Coronavirus, which has wreaked such devastation on us, could have originated in a laboratory in China. But we took little notice of what many dismissed as conspiracy theories. Every calamity or natural disaster brings in its wake a host of conspiracy theories. So, it is imperative that we investigate all claims thoroughly and scientifically. It cannot be forgotten that in the first decade of this century, the US, supported by its allies, destroyed much of Iraq on the grounds that it was in possession of weapons of mass destruction, a contention not borne out as facts unfolded. The world paid the price and the US got needlessly entangled in a war that ultimately yielded no results but which changed the geopolitical map forever. China is not Iraq. It is the world's second biggest power in every sphere. Before embarking on any form of action, western countries should examine objectively all claims which have been put forward. China's record of cooperation with investigations is patchy. China allowed WHO's team to enter the country 10 months after the outbreak. However, the team was not permitted to visit the Wuhan lab and could study little more than the effect of wet markets on viruses. This obduracy on the part of the Chinese authorities is inexplicable and counterproductive. Given China's opacity on the Coronavirus pandemic, a matter which concerns us all and which has cost us dearly, we must ask one chilling question. Are we heading towards a new Cold War or something far more dangerous? — *Shashi Shekhar in Hindustan Times*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Escobar's 'Hippos' posing serious threat

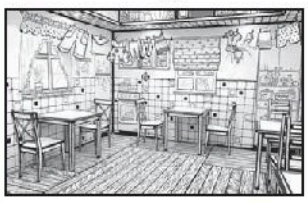


Columbia: Brought into Colombia as exotic pets by the most notorious drug kingpin in human history, have been breeding at an alarming pace over the last few decades and have become a serious threat to the Colombian flora and fauna.

In the 1980s, Pablo Escobar smuggled four hippos from an American zoo into Colombia, as exotic pets. They were kept at his luxurious Hacienda Napoles, in Puerto Triunfo, Antioquia, but after the collapse of his crime empire, they were set loose into the jungle.

With no natural predators, plenty of water sources and suitable climate, the hippopotamuses thrived and multiplied. The initial four water giants have now ballooned to an estimated population of over 100, which scientists say could reach over 1,400 specimens by 2039.

Cafe makes you're in black & white colouring book



Moscow: BW Kafe is an unusual-looking cafe with venues in Moscow and Sankt Petersburg which look like the setting of A-ha's famous "Take on Me" video.

BW Kafe first made international headlines last year, when photos of the Sankt Petersburg branch went viral online. Designed by Russian artist Anfisa Toshina, the interior of the cafe looks sketched with charcoal on a piece of white paper, creating the illusion that you are the only 3D "object" in a two-dimensional world. It's a pretty nice trick, but one that might seem oddly familiar if you've been on the internet sometime in the last two years...

This whole coloring book concept is actually nothing new. It was first introduced in South Korea, by the designers of Cafe Yeonnam-dong 239-20, but has since been copied by other entrepreneurs looking to capitalize on the popularity of the design. Similar venues opened in Japan a couple of years ago, now Russia.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Treat Acne: If you have acne-prone skin, acne might develop due to friction between skin & mask. Cleanse your skin regularly & use water-soluble moisturizer, avoid popping or squeezing a pimple can it lead to infection. Consult your dermatologist for proper acne treatment.

Dr. Ravi S. - Consultant Dermatologist & Cosmetologist

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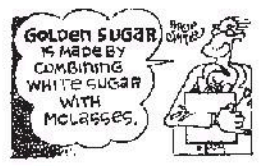


If you look at enough labels, you will find 57 different names that apply to sugar. Among them: Galactose, maltoxtrain, refiner's syrup, diastatic malt, confectioner's sugar, invert sugar, Barbados sugar, glucose solids, dextrose and evaporated cane juice.

COVID-19 UPDATE - MYSURU

DATES	JUNE 8	JUNE 9
Day's Positive Cases	974	1,163
Total Positive Cases	1,53,072	1,54,235
Day's Discharges	1,241	1,045
Total Discharges	1,37,259	1,38,304
Day's Deaths	15	22
Total Deaths	1,754	1,776
Total Active Cases	14,059	14,155

NOTE: Figures as per Government Media Bulletin

MGP's virtual meeting on June 13

Mysuru, June 10- Mysore Grahakara Parishath (MGP), Vivekananda Road, Yadavagiri, will be conducting a virtual meeting-cum-interaction for public on June 13 between 4 pm and 5 pm.

The topic would be "Succession of properties in the context of pandemic" and the speaker will be Prof. Suresh, Retd. Principal, JSS Law College, Mysuru.

Persons who desire to interact may call Ph: 0821-2515150 and forward their questions to e-mail: *mygrapa@gmail.com* well in advance.

Topic: "Succession of properties in the context of pandemic"

Questions during the virtual programme are usually not entertained for want of time.

Contact link would be provided for participation in the virtual meeting on the day of the programme, according to a press release from MGP President.

REALLY...?

- ***The first headphones had only one earpiece: In the 1880s, telephone operators used a somewhat simplified version of modern headphones. It only has a single earpiece and had to be connected to a contraption together with a mouthpiece for transmission.***
- ***That contraption itself weighs between 6 – 11 pounds and has to be rested on the operator's shoulder!***
- ***The first modern headphones were produced in the kitchen.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Two friends visit a Stadium.
First: *Why are all these people running?*
Second: *This is a race, the winner will get the cup.*
First: *If only winner will get the cup, why are others running?!!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 72.90
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 102.99
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 19.86
1 Euro	= Rs. 88.80

VOICE OF THE READER

Common drain pipe from terrace & bathroom: Suggestion

Sir,

This is with reference to the letter in *Star of Mysore* dated June 5 regarding common drain pipe from terrace and bathroom.

I appreciate the concern of the reader to provide work for jobless people by way of penalising others. Before penalising I would recommend the following:

1. The authorities concerned should make sure the storm-water drainage is having a smooth water flow without blockages in the first place.

2. Those connecting toilet / bath outflow direct to storm-water drain should be penalised and fix correction date before a reasonable time limit.

3. Rain water from terrace should go to storm-water drainage having smooth flow. This pipeline is wet only during monsoon days and remain dry during other days. As a result rodents, snakes and pests make a free entry from street drainage into resident's pipeline making a nice presence of them in terrace. So, carefully provide end cap strainer to block entry of hazardous pests into house.

4. Exception to be given for drains of washing machine / terrace manual cloth washing / terrace garden / kitchen drains connection to sanitary line, since it is not hygienic to leave those into open street drainage.

—Sati Susi
Mysuru
6.6.2021

Focus on online property tax collection: MCC Commr. tells Revenue Officers

Mysuru, June 10 (RK&DM)- With the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) witnessing a downslide in revenue collection due to COVID crisis, new MCC Commissioner G. Lakshmikantha Reddy has asked the civic body's revenue officials to focus more on online collection of property tax.

Addressing a meeting of Revenue Section staff and officials from all the nine Zones of the MCC at the MCC's Old Council Hall here yesterday, Reddy sought inputs on the number of properties, the amount of property tax collected every year, the criterion used for stipulating tax and such other vital statistics.

MCC Deputy Commissioner (Revenue) Nagaraj gave details about the property tax that was collected following the COVID outbreak last year, the revenue earned while lockdown was in force, the status concerning

G. Lakshmikantha Reddy

payment of online property tax and such other issues.

Pointing out that the deadline for payment of property tax with a 5 percent rebate has been extended till June 30 due to COVID crisis, he said that the MCC, as on June 8, has collected property tax of Rs.43 crore from all the nine Zones.

Noting that the Zonal Offices are collecting property tax of Rs. 2 lakh to Rs. 3 lakh on an average every day, Nagaraj highlighted that the stringent lockdown in force has hindered door-to-door collection of property tax. The MCC Commissioner directed the officials to promote online payment of property tax among the citizens by facilitating easy procedures and clearing any technical glitches or hurdles. He also directed them to come up with clarifications sought by the tax-payers.

Stressing on the need for providing necessary infrastructure in all localities, once the lockdown ends, he directed the officials to speed up revenue collection soon after activities return to normal post-lockdown. He also emphasised on judicious use of revenue collections as it is the tax-payers' money.

MCC DC N.M. Shashikumar, Health Officer Dr. D.G. Nagaraj and other officials were present.

TiE Mysuru to host Masterclass on 'Venture Investing' tomorrow

Sanjay Mehta

Mysuru, June 10- In order to enhance the understanding of venture investing and creating wealth, The Indus Entrepreneurs (TiE), Mysuru Chapter, is hosting an online Masterclass on the topic 'Venture Investing - Rules for Success' on June 11 between 6 pm and 7.15 pm.

The session will be conducted by **Sanjay Mehta,** Founder and Partner, 100X.VC, who has unicorns in his portfolio and investments in more than 50 Start-ups. He is a technology evangelist and an entrepreneur turned VC. He is known as the 100X investor with the midas touch.

This Masterclass will help individual investors avoid failures, learn about wealth creation opportunities with venture investing. It gives an opportunity to examine the complexities of deal-making from discovery to exits by using real case studies of recent deals in an exclusive closed-door format.

The Indus Entrepreneurs (TiE), Mysuru, is a not-for-profit organisation promoting innovation and entrepreneurship in the Mysuru region. This Masterclass is part of TiE Monthly Event Investors Series for the benefit of entrepreneurs, investors and Start-ups in the region.

This free Masterclass is open to all Entrepreneurs, Investors, Start-ups, SMEs and professionals. There is no registration fee but prior registration is mandatory.

Those interested can register online: *http://bit.ly/tiejune21*

For details, contact Mahesh Kattale, Executive Director, TiE Mysuru Chapter, on Mob: +91-94481-54063 or e-mail: *tie.mysuru@gmail.com*, according to a press release from Ajith Pai, President, TiE, Mysuru Chapter.

Public Library website redesigned

Mysuru, June 10- The Department of Public Libraries has redesigned its website in order to make it more reader-friendly, especially during the lockdown.

The digital library has been upgraded with over 10 lack e-contents including national, international, educational, children and skill development videos.

Hence, general public can utilise the facility by registering themselves on the website *www.karnatakadigitalpubliclibrary.org*, according to a press release from the Public Libraries and City Central Library Deputy Director B. Manjunath.

Disruption in BSNL services

Mysuru, June 10- Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) will be shifting its J.P. Nagar office to a new building. Hence, there will be disruption in the telephone and internet services on June 12 and 13, according to a press release from BSNL Asst. Chief Manager.

Power tariff hiked by 30 paise per unit

Bengaluru, June 10 (KMS& DM)- In a blow to the common man who is already reeling under the effect of COVID-19 crisis, the State Government on Wednesday hiked power tariff by an average of 30 paise per unit.

The tariff revision comes after the Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission (KERC) approved the hike. However, this is less than the average hike of Rs.1.35 per unit sought by the five Electricity Supply Companies (ESCOMs) of the State for the current financial year.

"The Commission has approved an average increase in tariff by 30 paise per unit (considering increase in Fixed / Demand and Energy charges) for FY 2021-22, resulting in an average increase of 3.84 percent," according to a KERC release here on Wednesday.

The revised tariff will come into effect for the electricity consumed from the first meter reading date falling on or after April 1, "to enable recovery of the revenue gap determined by the Commission."

According to the release, to soften the burden of increase in tariff on the consumers, during the prevailing lockdown situation on account of COVID-19 pandemic in the State, the arrears towards revision of tariff for April and May, is ordered to be recovered during October and November respectively, without charging any interest.

As per the latest hike, which comes after a year, the power tariff will be Rs. 4.10 per unit for upto 50 units, Rs. 5.55 per unit for 50 to 100 units, Rs. 7.10 per unit for 100 to 200 units and Rs. 8.15 per unit for over 200 units.

However, the KERC has not effected any revision in respect of free power under various welfare schemes including Bhagyajyothi. Also, free power to pumpsets below 10 HP will continue.

In a tweet, Leader of Opposition Siddharamaiah said "The decision to increase the electricity tariff is disastrous for everyone. Common man to Industries, all are suffering due to pandemic and the increase will kill everyone."

"Karnataka has surplus power and yet BJP Government continues to purchase power from the Central Grid, Adani and others at higher cost, price for which our people have to pay," he alleged in another tweet.

Congress to launch '100 Not-Out' campaign in protest against rising fuel prices from tomorrow

Bengaluru, June 10 (KMS& DM)- Accusing the BJP Government of making holes in the pockets of the common man by hiking fuel prices every day, KPCC President D.K. Shivakumar said that the Congress will launch a 5-day '100 Not-Out" campaign against rising fuel prices from tomorrow (June11).

Speaking to press persons here yesterday, D.K. Shivakumar charged the BJP of looting public money by hiking fuel prices almost every other day.

Pointing out that the price of Petrol has crossed Rs. 100 a litre in many cities and towns of the State, he said that the price of Diesel too is fast approaching the Rs. 100 mark.

Strongly condemning the rising fuel prices, he said that the Congress will stage demonstrations in front of Petrol bunks from June 11 to 15 in five levels.

Shivakumar declared that to start with, the Congress would stage protest in front of Petrol bunks at all District Headquarters on June 11, followed by protests in front of petrol bunks at all Taluk Headquarters on June 12, all ZPs and Hobli Centres on June 13, all GPs on June 14 and in front of prominent petrol bunks in major cities on June 15.

Announcing that the protest will be of one hour duration from 11 am to 12 noon on all the five days, the KPCC President said that office-bearers of all the frontline Units and Wings of the Congress party will take part.

Stating that the protest will take place under the guidance of an appointed leader in every district, he said that a short duration video of the protests will be sent to AICC.

NEWS BRIEFS

Phone-in by Fisheries Dept.

The Fisheries Department of Mysuru Zilla Panchayat (ZP) will be holding a Phone-in programme on the first and third Mondays of every month between 11 am and 12 noon. People can contact the Department Office on Ph: 0821-2483533 or Mob: 98809-23401 to air their grievances.

Calling farmers

Variety of good quality fruit and other saplings are available for sale at Mysuru District Horticulture Centres and Nurseries. For details, interested farmers can contact the following mobile numbers: Kukkarahalli Horticulture Centre: 93419-70649; Yalachahalli - 90080-84635; Hunsur - 87221-65357; Varanchi - 90352-70721 and Nugu - 89713-34859, according to a press release from the Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture.

Medical help for needy children

The Department of Women and Child Development has updated the database of Counsellors, Psychiatrists and Paediatricians available in the district on the website of the Directorate of Child Protection for care and protection of the children. Public can contact the following Counsellors, Psychiatrists and Paediatricians for help: Dr. B.N. Ravish [Mob: 99801-38016]; Dr. Malini [Mob: 94481-82857]; Dr. Narendra [Mob: 94818-18612], according to a press release from the District Child Protection Officer, Dr. S. Diwakar.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM

Maximum	:	124.80 feet
Today	:	83.64 feet
Yesterday	:	84.20 feet
Inflow	:	662 cusecs
Outflow	:	3,782 cusecs

KABINI DAM

Maximum	:	2,284.00 feet
Today	:	2,264.26 feet
Inflow	:	393 cusecs
Outflow	:	700 cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00 feet
Today	:	2,823.24 feet
Inflow	:	161 cusecs
Outflow	:	80 cusecs

SWR Mysuru launches vaccination drive

for staff in the age group of 18-44 years at workplace

Mysuru, June 10- In order to improve the pace of vaccination in the decisive battle to defeat Coronavirus, South Western Railway (SWR), Mysuru Division, yesterday launched a special drive to provide the first jab for the staff in the age group of 18-44 years working in the Divisional Office.

The SWR Hospital will be vaccinating the eligible staff at the workplace itself through walk-in registrations.

Railway is carrying goods and passenger trains across the nation even amid the second wave of COVID-19 and it was all the more important to make sure that the Railway is duly protected and ensure uninterrupted running of trains.

Thanks to the initiative taken by Rahul Agarwal, Divisional Railway Manager, SWR Mysuru, for prioritising vaccination for all eligible Railway staff of the Division, nearly 79% of the eligible staff have already been inoculated as on 31.5.2021. The remaining staff will be covered in this drive.

Simultaneously, for the convenience of staff, vaccination is also being arranged at Chikjajur and Harihar Stations so that no one misses out on getting the protection. Vaccination in coordination with State Government was also done in Railway Health Units of Sakleshpur, Arsikere and Shivamogga Stations.

Meanwhile, similar vaccination drive is being held at Ashokapuram Workshop having a workforce of nearly 2,000 employees comprising over 1,400 in the 18-44 years age group. Over 550 of the 576 employees above the age of 45 years have already received their first dose of vaccine. The remaining eligible staff will be covered in the current drive.

Rahul Agarwal once again highlighted that basic COVID protocols like correctly wearing of face masks, maintaining 2 metres distance and frequently washing hands are still the most important weapons in fighting the invisible enemy. He emphasised that the battle with the second wave was not over yet and therefore no one should let the guard down. He called upon staff not to heed to the misinformation about the vaccines but instead must play an important role in countering the vaccine hesitancy by spreading awareness.

He complimented all medical and frontline staff for their great services in the face of severe adversity.

Lockdown violation

506 vehicles seized in city in three days

Mysuru, June 10 (KS)- Mysuru City Police, who are conducting regular drives against lockdown violators in city, have seized a total of 506 vehicles in the past three days, to initiate legal action.

On June 7, the Cops seized 159 two-wheelers, 28 cars and nine auto-rickshaws, while on June 8, 152 two-wheelers, 26 cars and 12 auto-rickshaws and on June 9, 119 two-wheelers, 24 cars and 15 auto-rickshaws were seized.

1,674 vehicles seized in rural areas

The District Police have seized a total of 1,647 vehicles in rural areas from the day the lockdown came into force besides registering 393 cases till June 8.

There are 24 check-posts in the district, which are manned by Police personnel 24 hours a day. Vehicles entering Mysuru City have to pass through check-posts installed on Jayapura, Bannur, Yelwal and near APMC Yard on Nanjangud Road, where they are stopped for checking.

Additional Superintendent of Police (ASP) R. Shivakumar, speaking to *Star of Mysore,* said that from Apr. 27 till June 8, a total of 1,674 vehicles including two-wheelers, cars and other vehicles have been seized and 393 cases registered. He further said that Police Officers and staff are also working at the Taluk Task Force, constituted by the District Administration, to help prevent the spread of the deadly virus.

Continuing, the ASP said that families staying in small houses at rural places are coming in contact with infected people and the Police are convincing those who are afraid of getting themselves tested for COVID to get tested and are also bring them to COVID Care Centres.

"There are more people in rural places who say that they are fine and nothing has happened to them. Hence, precautionary measures have been taken to prevent the spread of Coronavirus. If people stop violating the Government guidelines and understand the situation, the spread of the virus will be reduced," ASP Shivakumar said.

Oxygen Unit at Chamarajanagar

District Hospital develops technical snag

New Oxygen Storage Tank yet to be installed

A truck carrying the new Oxygen Storage Tank parked in front of the District Hospital since a week.

Chamarajanagar, June 10 (SS&SSV)- Even as the death of 24 COVID patients due to alleged non-availability of Oxygen at District Hospital last month is still afresh in the minds of people, the existing Oxygen Unit in the Hospital has developed a technical snag in pressure control system.

District Surgeon Dr. Srinivas said, there was some problem in pressure control system which was very minor and the same was being attended. This snag has not affected the supply of Oxygen to in-patients. This Oxygen Unit was commissioned recently after the tragic incident and now it had already developed technical problems. However, there was no leakage of Oxygen, he clarified.

Not installed

Meanwhile, a new Oxygen Storage Tank, which had been sanctioned to the District Hospital had not been installed yet. A truck carrying the Oxygen Tank had been parked in front of the Hospital for the last one week.

The installation work will begin once the technical team comes from Chennai for spot inspection and other mandatory procedures.

People have urged the District Administration to speed up the installation of new Oxygen Tank since quite a number of Corona positive patients are still recovering in the Hospital.

MLA Mahesh, MUDA Chairman Rajeev plotted my transfer: Rohini Sindhuri

Where were these people 10 years ago? What did they do to reach such a stage? Did they set up an industry? What hard work have they done to reach the level that they are in today?" she questioned.

As MUDA Chairman, Rajeev has passed more than 500 resolutions in a meeting he chaired. An investigation must be launched on all the resolutions passed by him."

Mysuru, June 10 (BCT)- Naming K.R. Nagar MLA S.R. Mahesh and Chairman of Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) H.V. Rajeev publicly, former Mysuru Deputy Commissioner Rohini Sindhuri has stated that both Mahesh and Rajeev, who are partners in land deals, conspired to get her transferred from Mysuru.

Speaking in an audio released by a local channel on social media, Rohini Sindhuri is heard saying that the list of irregularities and illegalities by Mahesh and his associates in Mysuru and its neighbourhood was long.

"These people threaten officers not to take action against their illegal dealings. The MUDA Chairman is his partner in a few illegal projects like the one on the Lingambudhi Lake where they had plans to build a five star hotel," she has said.

"Where were these people 10 years ago? What did they do to reach such a stage? Did they set up an industry? What hard work have they done to reach the level that they are in today?" she questioned.

"When I took over as DC of Mysuru, many people furnished documentary evidence on the illegalities. They asked me to read T.M. Vijay Bhaskar's Report and I have read it. I was shocked to see the way illegalities have grown over the years,

H.V. Rajeev

especially in Mysuru. When I wanted to initiate enquiry, Dasara came and after that the first wave of COVID struck," she revealed.

For the record, T.M. Vijay Bhaskar was the DC of Mysuru and is known for his honesty. He rose to become the State Chief Secretary and now he is retired.

COVID work caused probe delay

"When Mysuru took a respite from the first wave, I decided to launch a probe into the land deals and focus on tourism. But then came the second wave. I had sought certain documents from MUDA earlier and those started coming in just days before my transfer. I have released the same and I have initiated action," she said.

500 resolutions in a meeting !

"As MUDA Chairman, Rajeev has passed more than 500 resolutions in every meeting he chaired. An investigation must be launched on all the resolutions passed by him. It is these people who conspired to transfer me. Earlier, I had not named anybody. But now that they are exposing themselves by attacking me, I am naming them," the IAS Officer said.

I am not scared of them...

"Since the day I joined and even now after I have been transferred, the MLA has been incessantly making false allegations against me. The whole *modus operandi* is to threaten and scare officers so that they do not take action on illegality. But I have paid no heed and so even after my transfer he is making statements against me. They know that public opinion is tilted heavily on my side and they are fabricating audio records, remixing them and releasing them to the media. I was not scared of them when I was in office, you think I will be scared of them now? " Rohini Sindhuri asked.

The IAS Officer said that since documents were asked, some of them have been released. *"Prima facie* there are irregularities and hence they need to be inquired into and taken to the logical conclusion. Former MCC Commissioner Shilpa Nag has colluded with politicians and did a resignation drama, just to get me out and serve their purpose. Her nexus with the politicians must be probed," she added.

Complaint against Shilpa Nag, former MCC Commissioner

Meanwhile, Rohini Sindhuri has sought disciplinary action against IAS Officer and former MCC Commissioner Shilpa Nag for violating the provisions of the All India Service (Conduct) Rules, 1968, by her conduct.

Sindhuri has lodged a formal complaint with the Chief Secretary, Department of Personnel and Administrative Reforms (Services) on June 6 where Rohini Sindhuri has stated that Shilpa Nag's "pre-meditated plan" was to falsely raise allegations against her and "create a scandal in order to force her transfer from the district."

She contended that Shilpa Nag's conduct was "unbecoming" of an IAS Officer amounting to "gross misconduct and indiscipline." She refers to the former MCC Commissioner's interview to a private television channel where she stated that her mission of ensuring my transfer from Mysuru district had been accomplished and the purpose of doing the press meet was that.

Interestingly, Shilpa Nag held her press meet on 3.6.2021, just a day before Rohini Sindhuri was set to order the cancellation of the Lingambudhi Lake land for commercial purpose.

Shilpa Nag

While Rule 3(1) states that "every member of the Service shall at all times maintain absolute integrity and devotion to duty and shall do nothing which is unbecoming of a member of the Service"; Rule 3 (2B) (XI) states that "maintain discipline in the discharge of duties and be liable to implement the lawful orders duly communicated to him," she explained in the letter.

"Also some politicians, in collusion with private hospitals, were overcharging patients while running Private COVID Care Centres in violation of prescribed norms and committing gross irregularities. I had ordered their closure. This was an another immediate cause for motivated and false attacks on me," Rohini said in the letter.

Private phone conversation was made public but I stand by it: Rohini Sindhuri

Mysuru, June 10 (BCT)- Former Mysuru DC Rohini Sindhuri has said that the audio clipping that has been released to the media yesterday was a private conversation between a journalist and her. It was not meant for public consumption, but she added saying, "Though I took the names of certain individuals in the audio, I stand by my statements as they are based on facts and documentary evidence. Anyone can check the veracity of my statements. There is not an iota of untruth in whatever I have said in the audio."

On her statement that MUDA Chairman has passed more than 500 resolutions and they need to be probed, she said, "I have urged the Government to investigate. Agricultural lands were converted to commercial lands. I have cancelled them and have asked MUDA to set right all the illegalities."

"I can only point fingers at the illegal dealings and the next Deputy Commissioner has the authority to investigate. As per rules, there should be no construction within 75 metres of any wetland. Any approval including layout plans in areas coming within 75 metres of any lake is illegal. It should be revoked and I have done this. Whatever people might state defending their illegalities, this is the truth.

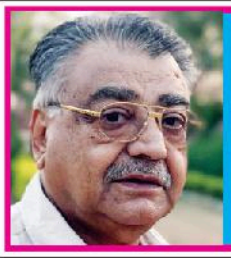
On the next course of action, Rohini Sindhuri said, "I can only point fingers at the illegal dealings and the next DC (Government) has the authority to investigate. As the representative of the Government in the District and as the head of Mysuru Revenue Department, I had the authority, powers and right to prevent encroachment of Government land and lakes. I have done my duty as the DC. It is up to the Government to initiate action."

"As per rules, there should be no construction within 75 metres of any wetland. Any approval including layout plans in areas coming within 75 metres of any lake should be revoked. And I have done this. Whatever people might state defending their illegalities, this is the truth," she added.

MUDA Chairman, MLA react

When *SOM* sought the reaction of MUDA Chairman Rajeev, he said that he will react after reading the documents. "I have not heard Rohini Sindhuri speak about me in private channels. I will react after seeing that and reading the documents."

MLA S.R. Mahesh continued to say that there are no illegalities in the Lingambudhi Lake land. "Yes, I own land near the Lingambudhi Lake. Even Rajeev has a parcel of land. But are the lands illegal? There is nothing illegal in that land. Only agricultural activities are taking place there. When the land was converted for commercial purpose, the said land was not demarcated for agricultural purposes. Where is land mafia here? Documents say that after the land's commercial conversion, it has been re-classified as agricultural land," he said.



Abracadabra... Abracadabra...

By K.B. Ganapathy

Remembering Sholapurkar, The Builder of CAVA

About creative dancers it is said that during the performance the dancer disappears, only the dance remains. The same feeling could be expressed about **Prof. V.M. Sholapurkar,** the painter-artist who passed away on June 8, 2021 in our city. He was such a great art teacher and a versatile, creative artist, I am sure, though he has disappeared from amongst us physically, his works of art and the institution CAVA he helped establish will remain with us.

I knew Sholapurkar from 1982, the day he landed in Mysore to establish **CAVA — Chamarajendra Academy of Visual Arts,** a successor institution to that old glory of the days of the Maharajas, the **Chamarajendra Technical Institute (CTI),** an iconic centre for arts, sculpture and making furniture. All the rich and the famous would get some exclusive furniture made of Rosewood, Sandalwood or Teakwood from here. It produced many big names in these fields of creative activity. I remember one **M.J. Shuddhodana,** who was, I guess, the Superintendent of CTI and also a great painter. It was located in the upstairs of the Cauvery Arts and Crafts Emporium on Sayyaji Rao Road, opposite the K.R. Hospital, while the Carpentry and Sculpting Departments were in the ground floor. Sadly, its glory was fading due to politics of the democracy and Carpentry and Sculpting Departments were closed, as I know. The Arts Department, however, remained there as an apology.

It was at this time the then Government headed by **R. Gundu Rao** as Chief Minister, decided to revive CTI with a new vision compatible with the changing world of art. To achieve this goal, Gundu Rao managed to get the best suited person in the art field and narrowed down on Prof. V.M. Sholapurkar, who was teaching at Sir J.J. School of Art, Bombay, with many feathers to his cap as a best teacher and had won national awards for his works.

Prof. V.M. Sholapurkar

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Wood collage by Sholapurkar

His choice was welcomed by many and from day one he was a pro-active Head of CAVA. He gathered a team of creative faculty that attracted students and conceived of a curricula that matched that of what was taught in Sir J.J. School of Art, Bombay, India's pride of an art institution. At a time when everything looked good for the future, trouble seemed to brew — the good idea of shifting the CAVA to a new place had led to protest by students who said the new place, the famous Writers' Home at Yelwal (Aloka Palace, the pillared, imposing hunting lodge of the Maharaja) was too far from city. In fact, it was an ideal building with a vast area of land amidst verdant greenery. But, students and politicians won. CAVA, which was shifted here, was shifted back...! The good Professor Sholapurkar, for all his innovative ideas and development of CAVA in the right direction, was even accused of some impropriety that followed an 'inquiry' which showed him innocent. But, he was a sad man.

Now, CAVA, which was in too small a place and too old a building, has been shifted to a godown-like building on Bannur Road near Siddarthanagar. No architectural marvel for an institution of creative art. No creative idea will ever blossom under the roof of such a building.

Be that as it may, Sholapurkar's greatest disappointment was that he was not able to take CAVA to greater heights as visualised by him. By the way, the name CAVA was his creation and one can say it is quite eponymous. There were so many hurdles from the vested interest groups — private art schools, including Bengaluru's famous Chitrakala Parishath headed by a very influential person and artist **M.S. Nanjunda Rao,** its Founder — that prevented Sholapurkar in realising his dream of making CAVA an iconic, autonomous institution of all-India fame and later an Art University. Now it is the Mysore University that gives the degree certificate.

I asked **Ganjifa Raghupathi Bhat,** city's well-known artist and National Award winner, for his thoughts on Sholapurkar. And he had the following to say: He was a contemporary and modern artist. But he had immense interest in Bharatiya art. It was he who brought in the period of change in creative art in Mysore. He was the pioneer in creating terracotta jewellery — necklace, ear rings etc.

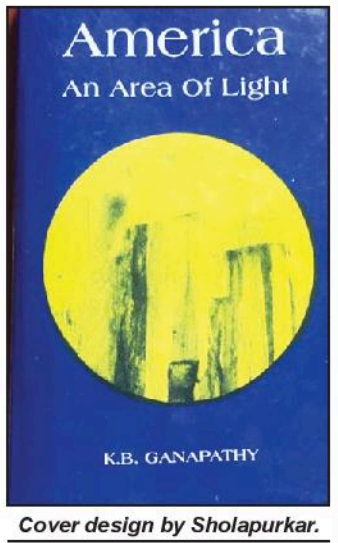
Another city artist **N.B. Kaverappa** said that Sholapurkar was an innovative artist, who had exhibited his works in Kaverappa's Bharani Art Gallery in Mysore. He said Sholapurkar had taken the wood inlay works to a newer height by using the original colours of the trees for his inlay works. Unfortunately, his dream of bringing CAVA to the level of Sir J.J. School of Art could not be realised due to lack of co-operation and support from the Government.

I also spoke to one of Sholapurkar's students in Mumbai, artist **Vasudev Kamath,** who had come to Mysuru sometime back and met Sholapurkar in his house. He said Sholapurkar was a most loved teacher to his students and gave them maximum freedom which helped to give expressions to their creative potential.

Surprisingly, it was Gundu Rao, as Chief Minister, who brought in Sholapurkar in 1982 assuring to make CAVA an autonomous body. But bureaucratic impediments were so strong, even Gundu Rao could not defy them. Sholapurkar served from 1982 to 1988. But as a true artist, born to live a life of an artist, he continued to pursue his life as an artist experimenting new avenues as mentioned earlier.

I had an occasion to avail his services as an artist when I approached him in the year 1993 to design the cover for my book *"America - An Area of Light"* and he was too glad to oblige. The design is produced below. When I asked him his fee, he simply smiled and said, 'don't embarrass me.'

In his passing away, our city, nay the art world, has lost an artist and more importantly an art educator. RIP Sholapurkar.



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HUSHED UP!

- **All accused in UoM fake answer sheet racket let off**
- **Mandi Police Inspector, staff booked at same Station**

Mysuru, June 10 (RK,KS &BCT)- Busting a fake answer script racket being run under the wings of University of Mysore (UoM), the Mandi Police hushed up the matter without public knowing about the crime that was busted at a city lodge.

Shockingly, even the Police top brass of the city were not informed about the racket and only now, based on the orders issued by City Police Commissioner Dr. Chandragupta, a case has been registered against Mandi Inspector Narayanaswamy and staff of the same Police Station for hushing up the case.

Interestingly, it is the same Police who pose for photos along with criminals in front of media whenever a minor crime is busted. Despite being a major racket of this magnitude, the Police hushed up this one and they are in the dock now. The memo asking the Mandi Police to book the FIR was issued by Dr. Chandragupta yesterday.

The Mandi Police Sub-Inspector has filed the FIR against six including the Inspector of the same Police Station. Shocked by the answer script racket that was thriving under its very nose, the UoM too is conducting a probe. Interestingly, till now the University did not even have a clue about the racket.

The accused in the racket are Mohammed Nissar, an employee of the UoM, contract employee Rakesh, students Chandan and Chethan and Mandi Police Inspector Narayanaswamy and staff.

Chethan is the owner of the lodge on Bengaluru-Nilgiri Road. The accused used to replace the prepared answer scripts with the original ones to help students.

Full-fledged racket

The full-fledged racket flourished in the lodge where arrangements were made to rewrite hundreds of answer scripts and replace them with the original ones written by candidates while writing papers in the examination hall. Though the Mandi Police had raided the lodge, the accused were let off and the Police failed to take action against the perpetrators of the crime.

The incident came to light after Somasundar, Joint Secretary of Karnataka Rashtra Samithi Paksha, filed a complaint at City Police Commissioner's Office on Tuesday. He alleged that the first four accused were involved in preparing fake answer scripts of B.Sc Chemistry exam of the UoM at the lodge on Apr. 21. The exams were conducted on Apr. 15 and 17.

University orders probe

Meanwhile, UoM Registrar Prof. R. Shivappa told *Star of Mysore* this morning that the answer sheets are sent to the University-affiliated colleges according to the strength of the students. If any student is absent for the exam, it is the responsibility of that particular college management to send back the empty answer sheets to the University.

He further said that the empty answer sheets from Maharani's Science College was not sent back and added that the person should be held responsible. "After we got information about the answer script scam, a Committee headed by Registrar (Evaluation) Prof. Jnanaprakash has been constituted to conduct a probe and collect details. The Committee was constituted following instruction from Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar," he said.

Quiet burial

Mandi Police Inspector Narayanaswamy, who got a tip-off about the racket, raided the lodge along with his team and took all the accused to the Police Station. However, all the accused were let off. Before that, Narayanaswamy collected only their statements without filing a case.

Somasundar mentioned in his complaint that considering the severity of the irregularities, Narayanaswamy should have arrested the accused and sent them to jail. Neither the FIR was booked nor were the University authorities informed. The case was quietly buried and the accused were allowed to go scot-free. Shockingly, even the higher officers were not informed by the Mandi Police Inspector.

Somasundar, however, got this information from the student wing of the party and decided to pursue the case. According to the FIR, after the Chemistry exams, a few UoM employees and students prepared the answer sheets at the lodge which were to be replaced with the original answer sheets.

Narayanaswamy and team raided the lodge and took the accused into custody. Hundreds of answer sheets and other materials used to prepare fake answer sheets were also seized by the Police. But the case was not registered, the FIR stated. All the persons named in the FIR have been booked under IPC Sections 420, 406, 408, 470, 471, 472, 473 and 474.

New Mayoral election tomorrow

City almost certain to get a Congress Mayor

Shanthakumari

Shobha

Mysuru, June 10 (MK&DM)- With the JD(S) willing to let go the post of Mayor to its coalition partner (Congress) in the MCC after sealing a deal, the Mayoral election scheduled for tomorrow (June 11) seems to be only a formality as the Congress is almost certain to bag the post.

The election of a new Mayor was necessitated by the disqualification of Rukmini Madegowda of the JD(S) after her election from MCC Ward 36 was annulled by the Karnataka High Court on May 26. There is no change in the reservation matrix for the new Mayoral election. The Mayor post is reserved for Woman (General Category).

The Congress is expected to choose between H.M. Shanthakumari, who represents Ward 32 and Shobha Sunil, who is elected from Ward 61.

Shanthakumari, a senior Congress Corporator, who had served as the Deputy Mayor in 1995-96, is said to be the front runner for the post. However, Shobha Sunil too is trying her best by garnering support from local party leaders and other people's representatives.

Meanwhile, KPCC Working President R. Dhruvanarayan, who is also a former MP, said that the Mayoral candidate will be declared by Opposition leader and former Chief Minister Siddharamaiah at around 8.30 am tomorrow, following which the candidate will file nomination.

Although, there are reports that the JD(S) and Congress have agreed on sharing of Mayor post for the remaining two terms of the current tenure of the MCC, the JD(S) will be holding a meeting of its Corporators and local leaders later this evening, to discuss strategy for ensuring the success of the ruling coalition in tomorrow's polls.

The BJP, which is the Opposition in the MCC and which has never tasted success in the Mayoral election so far, too is meeting later this evening to fancy the party's chances in case there is a break-up in the JD(S)-Congress alliance at the last moment.

The BJP had held a meeting of its Corporators and local leaders last evening and the strategy discussed there will be put forward in today's meeting, which will be attended by the District Minister, MP, Party Legislators from Mysuru and other top leaders.

Despite having little hope of forming an alliance with the JD(S), the BJP is reportedly making last minute efforts to woo the JD(S) to its side and thus bag the Mayor post, which has eluded the party all along.

Two test COVID positive

Ahead of Mayoral poll, MCC had made COVID test mandatory for all the partakers in the poll, including MCC Corporators, MCC staff, poll officials and media persons, as a precautionary and safety measure. Accordingly, a total of 154 partakers underwent RT-PCR test on Tuesday. The reports came out on Wednesday, according to which two male staff have tested positive while all others tested negative. The election will take place at 12 noon tomorrow.

MLA S.R. Mahesh stages protest

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Terming the four documents displayed by Rohini Sindhuri in support of her allegations that huge areas of lands were encroached upon in and around the city by politicians and also the Sa.Ra. Convention Hall owned by him at Dattagalli was built by encroaching *Raja Kaluve,* as totally false, Mahesh declared that he would handover the property to the Governor, if even a small water pond or a bullock cart path is found to have earlier existed at the Convention Hall site.

"I am publicly declaring that Sa.Ra. Convention Hall will be handed over to the Governor if the charges are proved beyond doubt. I will also resign as MLA and quit from public life without any delay," he said.

Alleging that Rohini Sindhuri was acting on a complaint filed by an RTI activist, alleging that lands coming under Survey Nos.124/2, 123, 115 and lands in other places were encroached upon by politicians, Mahesh claimed that the four documents displayed by Sindhuri was aimed only at targeting political leaders of Mysuru.

Demanding a high-level probe into charges of land encroachment against him, Mahesh challenged Rohini whether she would quit IAS and return to her home State Andhra Pradesh, if her charges are proved false.

Regional Commissioner (RC) Dr. G.C. Prakash received the memorandum from Mahesh. The RC sought three days time to conduct a probe and to get a report. Mahesh called off his protest after the RC's assurance but warned of protest on Monday if the probe is not conducted by then.

Speaking to media Dr. Prakash said that the MLA has submitted documents in support of his claims that there is no encroachment of land on which Sa.Ra. Convention Hall is built. Pointing out that these documents will be verified and scrutinised, he said that a three-member committee comprising Additional DC, Deputy Director of Land Records and Tahsildar will be tasked with carrying out a survey and submit a report by Monday.

Rohini Responds

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Based on this, Rohini Sindhuri had ordered the Assistant Commissioner, Director of Land Records, Tahsildar and City Planning Officer to take action to take back the 61.18 excess modified land if it has been transferred illegally to the possession of individuals. On the part of MUDA compensation, Rohini Sindhuri has ordered the officers to check the amount of compensation paid to the land and take action if excess compensation has been paid.

Were they procured in open auction?

Another document released by the former DC shows that how documents were fabricated to show 5.02 acres at Dattagalli under Survey Number 123 has been procured through open auction. With regard to this, the IAS officer had ordered the Assistant Commissioner to examine records in the Sub-Registrar's Office to ascertain whether the land has been procured through open auction. The AC has been directed to submit a report within a week.

Ordered no construction within 75 metres of any lake

In her order, Rohini Sindhuri cited Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules 2010 and a National Green Tribunal directive pertaining to wetlands as per which there should be no construction within 75 metres of any wetland. She said that any approval including layout plans in areas coming within 75 metres of any lake should be revoked.

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02578	Mysuru	Darbhanga	10.40	13.20	Friday	Fully reserved
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02976	Jaipur	Mysuru	13.00	15.45	Wed & Fri	Fully reserved
06202	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	15.15	17.45	Daily	Partially unreserved
07325	Belagavi	Mysuru	17.45	20.40	Daily	Partially unreserved
02577	Darbhanga	Mysuru	18.40	21.40	Thursday	Fully reserved
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07301	Mysuru	Dharwad	22.30	08.05	Daily	Fully Reserved
07302	Dharwad	Mysuru	20.50	07.05	Daily	Fully Reserved

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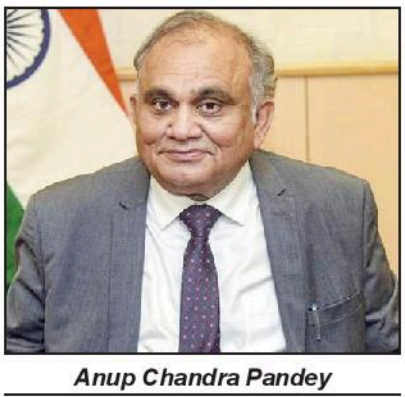
Former IAS Officer Anup Chandra Pandey is new Election Commissioner



Anup Chandra Pandey

New Delhi, June 10 (UNI)- Anup Chandra Pandey, a former Indian Administrative Service (IAS) Officer, has been appointed as the new Election Commissioner. Pandey, a former Uttar Pradesh Chief Secretary, is a retired IAS Officer of the 1984 batch from Uttar Pradesh cadre.

The Ministry of Law and Justice on Wednesday said President Ram Nath Kovind appointed Anup Chandra Pandey, IAS (Retd.) as the Election Commissioner in the Election Commission of India, with effect from the date he assumes the Office.

According to the Ministry, a notification in this regard has been issued by the Legislative Department, Ministry of Law & Justice.

DECODING MYTHOLOGY

Dr. Devdutt Pattanaik - Author, Speaker, Illustrator, Mythologist

Vikramaditya's Throne

About a thousand years ago, a collection of Sanskrit tales, known as '32 tales of the throne', came into being to draw attention to the qualities of a good king. In the narrative, king Bhoja finds the throne of legendary king Vikramaditya but every time he tries to sit on it, the throne asks if he is worthy. Whether he has the qualities of Vikramaditya, who was given the throne by the Gods.

It seems the most important character of a king is generosity. Of the 32 stories, 18 stories refer to the king's ability to give away fabulous gifts without hesitation. He gives away fabulous treasures gifted to him by Gods, hermits and goblins that can give gold, food, youth — even cure all ailments. He gives them away to poor brahmins, clumsy courtiers, impoverished merchants, failed kings, compulsive gamblers, lost travellers, even enemies and strangers. He is able to give these away as he is not attached to his wealth or his success and feels wealth needs to flow.

The next important quality is bravery — the ability to face any situation without fear. We find these in half the stories. He is ready to offer his head to a Goddess in order to help hermits, architects struggling to fill a lake and even broken statues. He fights demons to save cursed unchaste women. He is willing to jump in a pot of boiling oil to help a young man marry the cruel Princess he loves. He is eager to meet sages atop steep mountains, enter dark caves infested with all manner of beasts, travel to the scorching land of the sun and the darkest of subterranean regions.

The third quality is magnanimity. He forgives easily and does not judge. He does not look down upon wastrel sons, jealous kings, rivals, unfaithful wives, cruel demons, foolish merchants, manipulative sorcerers or greedy brahmins. A sorcerer once asks him to fetch a vampire from the crematorium with the intention of turning the vampire against Vikramaditya himself.

Vikramaditya outwits the sorcerer by getting the vampire to work for him, but then forgives the sorcerer ultimately. A king is so jealous of Vikramaditya that to match his generosity he immolates himself every day to secure gold from witches. Feeling sorry for him, Vikramaditya offers to immolate himself, earning the admiration of the witches and the jealous king.

But the king does not seek glory. He travels as a commoner as he has no need for the symbols of kingship to get the respect of people. He loves to delegate and so spends half the year as king and the rest of the year, talking to hermits and travelling through strange lands, going on adventures, expecting his courtiers to do a good job in his absence. He appreciates talented people and rewards them handsomely, thus ensuring all talented people come to his court and contribute to the prosperity of his kingdom.

For him kingship is not about glory for himself; it is about helping people. He is motivated not by personal glory but the happiness of his subjects. He is even willing to fight the stars and planets when astrologers tell him the alignment of celestial bodies does not favour his kingdom. He enjoys his royal life, entertaining himself with music and dance, only after having done his daily duties in the court, in the battlefield and in the temple.

When he learns of a young man called Shalivahan who is destined to kill him, he challenges the boy to a duel. This potter's son has the blessings of the snakes. He can bring clay toys to life and get serpents to fight for him. Vikramaditya has weapons to resurrect dead soldiers and to invoke eagles to fight serpents. But he decides not to use his powers and come in the way of Shalivahan's destiny. For he is old and Shailvahan is young. Like a good king, Vikramaditya knows that he is not immortal and so plans to make way for the next generation.

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Private COVID Clinic to provide free treatment for asymptomatic patients

Mysuru, June 10 (PM&SSV)- A private COVID Clinic to treat asymptomatic Corona patients has been started in Hinkal Gram Panchayat (GP) limits in the name of former Chief Minister — 'Sri Siddharamaiah COVID Primary Free Treatment Centre.' This is first such private COVID Clinic to be started in district, under the leadership of ZP Member Rakesh Papanna.

Varuna MLA Dr. Yathindra Siddharamaiah inaugurated the Clinic here yesterday. Speaking on the occasion, he expressed happiness over starting the Clinic to treat poor patients in the name of Opposition Leader in the State Assembly and former CM, Siddharamaiah. Most of the COVID patients in home isolation in rural areas were scared to get treatment in Government Hospitals and were unable to foot the bill in Private Hospitals. The free Clinic was a boon to the people of Chamundeshwari Assembly Constituency. He said that Rakesh Papanna had provided doctors and medical staff, medicine and other facilities to the Clinic. People must make use of the same, he added.

Rakesh Papanna said COVID-19 pandemic has taken heavy toll of people in the country. The Clinic had been started to provide treatment in time and to check the mortality rate. Many villagers were hesitant to take treatment in Hospitals just to avoid contacting the virus. With no knowledge of treatment and inability to take treatment in Private Hospitals, many people were dying.

Keeping this view, a free COVID Clinic has been started for the asymptomatic patients. **This Clinic will function from 9 am to 1 pm.** Home isolation patients too can visit the Clinic and clarify their doubt, if any, he added.

For details, contact Mob: 72044-34842 or 72045-62822.

ZP Member Ravishankar, Hinkal GP PDO Mohammed Issac, Dr. Rakshita, District Congress President Dr. B.J. Vijaykumar and leaders K.G. Nagaraj, Honnappa, Devaraj, Srinivas, Chandru, Prakash, Ramesh, Venkatesh, Keerthi, Rajanna, Somanna, Bhyaranayaka and others were present.

Dingko Singh, Asian Games Gold Medallist Boxer, dies at 42

Dingko Singh

New Delhi, June 10- Asian Games gold medal-winning former boxer Dingko Singh passed away today (June 10) after a long battle with liver cancer. He was 42 and had been fighting the disease since 2017.

"I'm deeply saddened by the demise of Shri Dingko Singh. One of the finest boxers India has ever produced, Dinko's gold medal at 1998 Bangkok Asian Games sparked the Boxing chain reaction in India. I extend my sincere condolences to the bereaved family. RIP Dinko," Sports Minister Kiren Rijiju tweeted.

"My sincerest condolences on this loss May his life's journey & struggle forever remain a source inspiration for the upcoming generations. I pray that the bereaved family finds the strength to overcome this period of grief & mourning #dinkosingh," tweeted India's first Olympic-medallist in boxing Vijender Singh.

Manipur-based Dingko won the Asian Games gold in 1998 and was bestowed the Arjuna Award the same year. In 2013, he was honoured with the *Padma Shri* for his contribution to the sport.

Dingko, who was employed with Navy, had taken to coaching after hanging up his gloves.

Ex-Mangalore University VC M.I. Savadatti no more

M.I. Savadatti

Dharwad, June 10 (UNI)- Former Mangalore University Vice-Chancellor M.I. Savadatti died here on Wednesday following a massive cardiac attack. He was 89.

According to family sources, he died owing to a massive cardiac arrest at home. He is survived by two sons and a daughter.

Recipient of several awards including Sir M. Visvesvaraya Lifetime Achievement Award, Prof. Savadatti served as the VC of Mangalore University for two terms. He was a member of the University Grants Commission (UGC) and Founder-Vice-Chairman of Karnataka State Higher Education Council.

Born on Jan. 8, 1932, at Aminbhavi in Dharwad, he studied at Karnatak University and subsequently taught Physics in the same University where he was instrumental in establishing the advanced laser laboratory. He has made significant contribution towards popularisation of science.

MLA exposes irregularities in Indira Canteens

- Huge differences in supply of meals
- Discrepancies in records

Only one glass for all

Indira Canteens are not following the Government guidelines despite surge in Corona positive cases. Only one glass is kept for everyone to drink water. Chances of spreading infection are more".

—S.A. Ramdas, MLA

Mysuru, June 10 (MTY&SSV)- Krishnaraja (KR) MLA S.A. Ramdas has alleged irregularities in free distribution of food to COVID-19 pandemic hit citizens at Indira Canteens by fudging number of beneficiaries. The State Government had announced free meals for everyone at all Indira Canteens across the State in the wake of COVID-19 pandemic.

Following complaints, the MLA visited several Canteens situated in the premises of CADA office opposite Mysore Palace, K.R. Hospital, Jodi Thenginamara Road in Bannimantap, Kumbarakoppal, Sharadadevinagar, Silk Factory, Sewage Farm, Alanahalli, opposite Rural Bus Stand, Triveni Circle and Azeez Sait Nagar, yesterday, He also inspected the kitchen and storeroom.

Later, he told reporters that the food items were supplied to all 11 Canteens from a centralised kitchen. There was a lot of difference in the food distributed and in accounts book. Upon questioning this difference, the Canteen Managers replied that food is served at 11.30 am and 2 pm. But the supervisors say food is supplied only in afternoon. Besides, records say that daily 160 kg rice is supplied two times in a day but the actual supply has been just 46 kg. That means, there has been irregularities in the supply of 114 kg cooked rice which was enough to feed 400 persons. All these indicate gross irregularities in the distribution of food to COVID-affected people.

Ramdas said, according to records, 520 persons eat free food at CADA Office Indira Canteen during morning and afternoon, and 200 people consume food during night. It was mandatory to follow token system but none of the Canteen follows it. CCTV cameras were not functioning. Rice was over after serving 137 people. On record, 520 meals are sent to each Indira Canteen, but hardly 120-130 people get food. The quality of food articles is very bad. The refrigerator was not functioning because of which the vegetables rot inside.

According to menu, vegetable sambar was supposed to be given. But only pumpkin and tomatoes are used in sambar. Low quality edible oil is used for cooking. The rice was of very low quality. The poor and destitute were eating whatever food was distributed in Indira Canteens since they cannot afford to buy it outside. "I will write a detailed letter to the Deputy Commissioner (DC) and the Commissioner of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) regarding the alleged irregularities in Indira Canteens and to order a probe to punish the guilty."

KSOU Deputy Registrar commits suicide

Manju Prasad

Mysuru, June 10 (MK&KS)- Depressed over being allegedly cheated by two persons in a house purchase case, the Deputy Registrar of Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) has committed suicide by hanging self at his house yesterday leaving behind a death note.

The deceased is Manju Prasad (55). A resident of Chamundipuram in city, Manju Prasad had purchased a house at Jayalakshmipuram from two persons.

But when he wanted to sell the Jayalakshmipuram property, he came to know that the property documents were fake and depressed over this, Manju Prasad is said to have mentioned the names of two persons, who had allegedly cheated him, according to Police. Krishnaraja (KR) Police, who have registered a case, are investigating.

Obituary

Khalida Parveen

Mysuru, June 10 - Khalida Parveen (59), Deputy Project Coordinator, DDPI, Hassan and a resident of Christian Colony in Rajivnagar, passed away yesterday at a private hospital in city, following brief illness.

She leaves behind her husband, one son, one daughter and sister Ruksana Nazneen (former BEO at Srirangapatna).

Namaz-e-Janaza and burial took place at the Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle today.

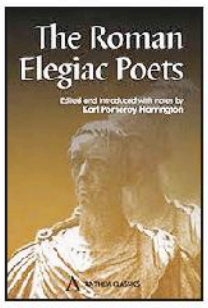
Suresh

Suresh (Cable Suresh), a resident of Srinivasa Megala Ramamandira Road in Kumbarakoppal, passed away yesterday in city. He was 36.

He leaves behind his mother and wife. Last rites were held yesterday evening in city.

WORD OF THE DAY

Elegiac



Pronunciation: el-uh-JYE-ak.
Meaning: Of, relating to, or consisting of two dactylic hexameter lines the second of which lacks the arsis in the third and sixth feet; written in or consisting of elegiac couplets; noted for having written poetry in such couplets; of or relating to the period in Greece about the seventh century b.c. when poetry written in such couplets flourished.
Origin: Elegiac was borrowed into English in the 16th century from Late Latin elagiacus, which in turn derives from Greek elegeiakos. Elegeiakos traces back to the Greek word for "elegiac couplet," which was elegeion. It is no surprise, then, that the earliest meaning of elegiac referred to such poetic couplets. These days, of course, the word is also used to describe anything sorrowful or nostalgic. As you may have guessed, another descendant of elegeion in English is elegy, which in its oldest sense refers to a poem in elegiac couplets, and now can equally refer to a somewhat broader range of laments for something or someone that is now lost.

THE ODD WORD

Ecchymosis

Black-and-blue spot

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Ear candy

Meaning: Music with an instant appeal but with little lasting significance.
Origin: There are various 'candy' phrases - ear candy, eye candy, arm candy. The one that started the whole candy franchise was ear candy. This was the title of a successful 1977 LP by Helen Reddy - no doubt in an ironic reference to the criticism she had received for producing bland, easy-listening music. The term may have been in use before 1977, although I can find no references to it in print that pre-date Reddy's album title. The term did get picked up though and soon became a generic term for music that was initially attractive but with little lasting substance. Candy is of course what the US calls the confectionery that many parts of the English-speaking world calls sweets. The sugary, insubstantial imagery is well suited to these phrases. Despite having a 1950s bubblegum image, candy is actually an old word. It is first recorded in print in the 1420 cookery book 'The Liber cure Cocorum'. The book is quite a shock to the senses for anyone familiar with modern-day cook-books. Naturally, it lacks the now obligatory colour pictures but redeems itself by being written throughout in rhyming couplets. Here's a recipe for frumente (a fermented wheat dish): With sugur candy, you may hit dowce, If hit be served in grete lordys howce.

QUOTE BOX

Success is walking from failure to failure with no loss of enthusiasm.

— Winston Churchill

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

REVOLLAF

Answer: Fall over backwards.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 "Hey, you!"
5 Rostrum
9 Youth
12 American state
13 Republic of Ireland
14 Female sheep - "wee" change
15 One of many in a book?
16 Collarbone
18 Give up on
20 Clear of costs
21 1760 yards?
24 Employ again
27 Underground cemetery
31 "Bad Behaviour" star Stephen
32 Attack bitterly
33 Ireland's ___ Lingus
34 Anguillidae
35 High-pitched - "lat" anagram?
36 Genial
38 Davidic poem
41 Burglar
42 Unfeeling
44 Enlarged, became big
48 ___ ____ the law : formulated a rule? (4,4)
52 Comply with
53 Former France coin
54 Privy to (2,2)
55 Single or solitary
56 Any doctrine
57 Weather blade
58 The badger's home is called this

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

B	R	A	■	A	R	M	S	■	D	R	A	M
O	I	L	■	K	E	E	P	■	I	O	N	S
S	C	I	M	I	T	A	R	■	O	D	D	S
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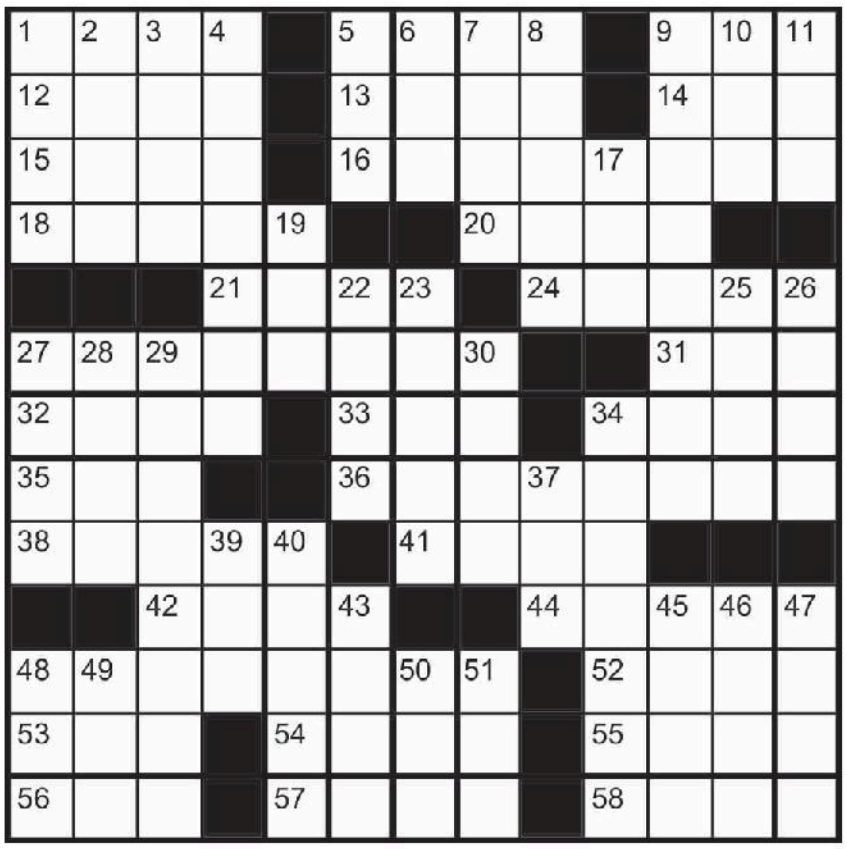
DOWN

1 Insect stage
2 Strike with a knife
3 Kind of pudding
4 Heat-related
5 Nov. follower
6 Suffer
7 Oil country
8 Cut in half
9 Made a speech
10 Piercing tool
11 Scottish river
17 Native or inhabitant as a suffix
19 Facial twitch
22 Lounge around
23 A kind of paper used for polishing
25 Peddle or vend
26 Effortless
27 Nonsense or rubbish (slang usage)
28 Types of East Indian shrubs
29 Element used in steel alloys
30 French cheese
34 Monopolise one's thoughts
37 Breakfast staple
39 Colloquial word for a lord?
40 Two thousand five hundred four - in Roman numerals
43 ___ fide : real and genuine?
45 Double reed
46 Strip of leather on a shoe
47 Russian no
48 Large Scale Integration, abbr.
49 Ancient Order of the Shepherds
50 Was successful in combat
51 North North East



SUDOKU

9				7			1	
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						5		2
3		2			4	8		
8								1
		7	3			6		9
5		3						
			8	3				
	4			1				6

Answer to previous puzzle

4	5	1	6	2	7	3	9	8
2	7	8	1	3	9	5	4	6
6	9	3	8	4	5	7	2	1
5	8	7	3	6	4	2	1	9
9	1	6	5	8	2	4	3	7
3	4	2	9	7	1	8	6	5
7	6	9	2	5	3	1	8	4
1	3	4	7	9	8	6	5	2
8	2	5	4	1	6	9	7	3

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

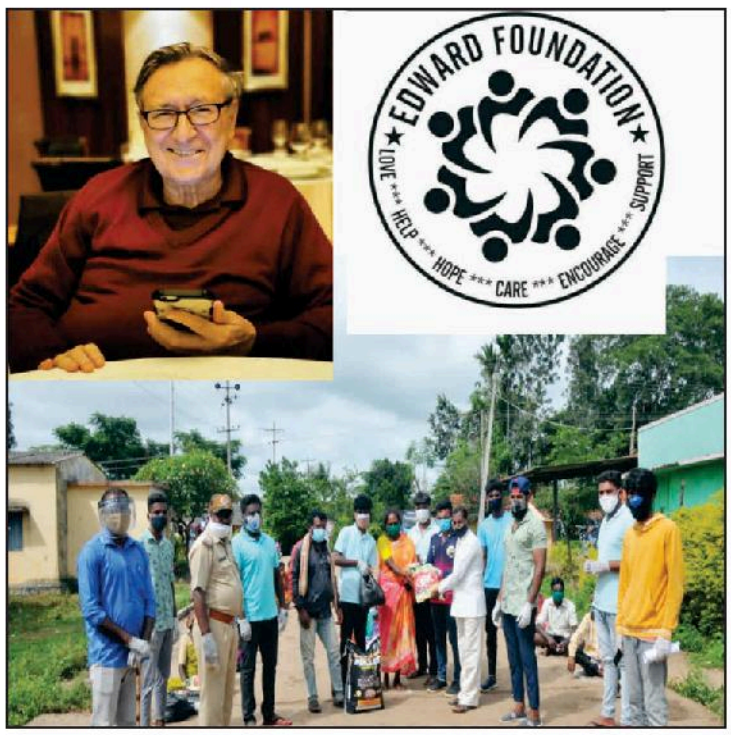
JHPCTBH IZNFRB COH IZH ACV IZHV COH,

IZNFRB ANMM FSI BICV IZH ACV IZHV COH.

TODAY'S CLUE: R EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: There are many who dare not kill themselves for fear of what the neighbours will say.

Edward Foundation donates groceries to Periyapatna villagers, adopts kids



Periyapatna, June 10 (Veeresh&KS) - Edward, Founder of Hong Kong-based Edward Foundation has provided 800 grocery kits to poor families of Doddaharave village in the taluk recently.

Each kit, worth about Rs. 2,500 contains 25 kg rice, 2 litres cooking oil, 5 kg wheat flour, 2 kg sugar, 500 grams chilli powder, 1 kg dal, 250 grams turmeric powder, 500 grams tea powder, and other items.

Edward had also adopted over a hundred children of Bharat Mata and Nalanda organisations and is taking care of their education besides providing laptops to necessary children.

During the previous lockdown, Edward not only helped in feeding the hungry, but also constructed houses for about 250 poor villagers besides taking care of the medical expenses of poor people. Doddaharave youths Naveen, Sharath, Vinod, Sachin, Akhilesh, Mahadev, Ajith, Shashikumar, Rahul, Hemanth, villagers and others were present.

Oxygen Concentrators donated to COVID Care Centre for Women

Mysuru, June 10 - Arun Kumar, a land developer of T.K. Layout and his sister Dr. Rekha Shivappa have donated two oxygen concentrators to International Youth Hostel in Gokulam, which has been now converted into a COVID Care Centre (CCC) for Women.

MLA Nagendra handed over these two oxygen concentrators to MCC Zone-4 Assistant Commissioner Priyadarshini, who is also serving as officer in-charge of the CCC for Women, Gokulam.

Corporator Vedavathi, leaders Shivashankar, Ramesh, Puneeth, Health Inspector Murugesh and others were present on the occasion.

Mysuru Pandal Owners Association distributed fodder to horses and breakfast to tonga owners in city recently. Association State President Haroon, City President Shivakumar, Vice-President Taj Mohammed, Assistant Secretary Wasim, Treasurer Devi Nagaraj and others were present.

Former MLA Vasu distributed vegetables to poor people near Paduvarahalli Mahadeshwara Temple in city. Mysore Co-operative Bank Director Yogesh, Ruchi Suresh, Paduvarahalli Manjanna, Ramaswamy and others were present.

Basava Marga Foundation donated grocery kits to auto drivers, who are facing financial crisis due to lockdown. The grocery kits were distributed by MLA L. Nagendra at Saraswathipuram in city recently. Foundation Founder Basavaraju and others were present on the occasion.

Srinidhi Foundation, in a bid to help the needy during the current pandemic, provided breakfast to those housed in Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry in city. The food was distributed by Chamundeshwari MLA G.T. Devegowda recently. Foundation President Kotehundi Mahadevu, Basavaraju and Suresh were present on the occasion.

Tulu Shivalli Brahmana Sangha distributed grocery kits to poor families, who are affected due to COVID-induced lockdown in city. The grocery kits were distributed by Sangha President Ravi Shastri. Hon. President M.K. Puranik, Secretary Suprabha, office-bearers Jayaram Bhat, P.V. Nagesh, Jagadish, M.R. Puranik and others were present.

Mysuru SP and DCP transferred

R. Chethan replaces SP Ryshyanth; Pradeep Gunti comes in place of DCP Dr. Prakash Gowda

Mysuru, June 10 (RK&DM)- In a major reshuffle, the State Government on Wednesday transferred 12 IPS Officers including Mysuru Superintendent of Police (SP) C.B. Ryshyanth and city Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP) Dr. A.N. Prakash Gowda. The transfer of two top Police Officers of the district comes just four days after the transfer of IAS Officers Rohini Sindhuri, who was Mysuru DC and Shilpa Nag, who was the MCC Commissioner.

Ryshyanth, who was serving as SP of Mysuru district since June 2019, has now been transferred and posted as Davanagere SP while Mysuru DCP (Law and Order) Dr. Prakash Gowda has been transferred and posted as SP of Internal Security Division (ISD) at Bengaluru.

R. Chethan, a 2010 batch IPS Officer of Karnataka cadre, who was serving as SP of Coastal Security Police at Udupi, is the new Mysuru SP while Pradeep Gunti, a 2016 batch IPS Officer, who was serving at ISD, Bengaluru, has been posted as the new Mysuru DCP (Law and Order).

In other transfers, Ravi Channannavar, who was SP Bengaluru (Rural), has been transferred as SP, CID while K. Vamsi Krishna, who was serving as Tumakuru SP, has been posted as the new Bengaluru (Rural) SP. Rahul Kumar Shahapurwad is the new Tumakuru SP while Dekka Kishore Babu is the new Kolar SP and Hanumantharaya is the new Haveri SP.

R. Chethan (extreme left), who took charge as the new SP of Mysuru at his office this morning, being greeted by outgoing SP C.B. Ryshyanth with a bouquet.

Outgoing DCP Dr. A.N. Prakash Gowda seen greeting new DCP (L&O) Pradeep Gunti (extreme right) who took charge this morning.

Lockdown likely to continue till June 21 in Mysuru Dist.

Minister Somashekar participates in CM-DCs video-conference

Mysuru, June 10 (RK&SSV)- Lockdown is likely to be extended in Mysuru for another one week as Case Positivity Rate (CPR) has not dropped beyond 10 percent.

Meanwhile, Co-operation and District in-Charge Minister S.T. Somashekar has convened a meeting of all MLAs and MLCs, MP at 3 pm today at Zilla Panchayat to seek their opinion on extending the current lockdown by another one week.

This follows directions from Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa to consult local representatives before taking decision on the further extension of lockdown.

So, lockdown which was supposed to end at 6 am on June 14, may now continue till 6 am on June 21, Mysuru Deputy Commissioner (DC) Dr. Bagadi Gautham told media after attending a video-conference of the CM with DCs of eight districts including Mysuru where the CPR and Case Fatality Rate (CFR) are still high.

He said the current situation in the district was better when compared to last one or two weeks. But, it will take another one or two weeks for the cases to come down. Still, 60-100 Corona positive cases are reported from taluks every day. As many 8,600 COVID tests (6,100 RT-PCR and 2,500 RAT) are conducted out of which around 1,200 positive cases are coming. Though, it was very difficult to say that when the number of cases will come down, the District Administration is optimistic that it will in the next one or two weeks. "We have requested the State Government to extend lockdown by another one week," he added.

Earlier, the CM expressed his grave concern over increase in CPR in eight districts and urged the DCs' to take immediate steps to bring down positive cases.

FRENCH OPEN 2021

TODAY'S MATCHES (June 10)

Semi-finals

WOMEN'S SINGLES

> Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova
Vs Tamara Zidanšek **6.30 pm**

> Barbora Krejčíková
Vs Maria Sakkari **7.45 pm**

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Djokovic-Nadal to meet for 58th time in Semi-finals

Novak Djokovic

Rafael Nadal

Paris, June 10- Novak Djokovic set up a 58th meeting with Rafael Nadal on Wednesday when he reached his 40th Grand Slam semi-final at the French Open despite being held up by 5,000 fans needing to be evacuated to conform with a COVID-19 curfew. The semi-final clash is scheduled for tomorrow.

World number one Djokovic defeated Italy's Matteo Berrettini 6-3, 6-2, 6-7 (5/7), 7-5 to book his place in the last four in Paris for the 11th time.

Earlier, Nadal, the 13-time champion, beat Argentina's Diego Schwartzman 6-3, 4-6, 6-4, 6-0 to make the semi-finals for the 14th time.

With Djokovic's match extending beyond the national 11pm curfew, play was halted for around 20 minutes at 3-2 in the fourth set so that 5,000 fans could be funnelled out of Court Philippe Chatrier.

In another semi-final, German sixth seed Alexander Zverev will take on Greek fifth seed Stefanos Tsitsipas tomorrow.

While Zverev eased into his first French Open semi-final with a 6-4 6-1 6-1 win over Spain's Alejandro Davidovich Fokina on Tuesday, Stefanos Tsitsipas beat Russian rival Daniil Medvedev 6-3 7-6 (7-3) 7-5 to reach the semis.

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